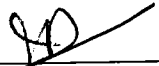


**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND  
DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN, YOUTH AND FAMILIES**

**TO:** Interested Parties

**FROM:** Janice DeFrances, Ed.D.  
Director  
Department of Children, Youth and Families

**DATE:** August 6, 2013

**SUBJECT:** Proposed DCYF Rule 

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In accordance with the Administrative Procedures Act, the Department is advertising for promulgation the following amended DCYF rule. This proposed rule aligns with best practices in child welfare. The proposed rule is accessible on the DCYF website (<http://www.dcyf.ri.gov>) and through the RI Secretary of State's Proposed Rules and Regulations Database Search (<http://www.sec.state.ri.us/ProposedRules/>).

Written comments may be submitted by September 9, 2013 to:

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**Amended**

Foster Care and Adoption Regulations for Licensure – this regulation is amended to clarify that all foster care birthday, clothing and holiday checks/allowances provided by the Department are solely utilized to meet the needs of the child.